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#### A RAFT RIDE ON THE CUMBERLAND.

In the year eighteen hundred and seventy-nine I'll say, We started down the river, a bright November day. The sun it had just rose, and glowed the western hill, As we cut ourselves afloat, just below Bay's mill.

The birds were singing merrily, and loud the echo rang, As we floated down the stream, a jolly, fearless gang.

As we chanced to see a man, who stood upon the shore, We'd preach him a sermon on "Days of Evermore."

We beheld not the danger that lurked beneath the waves, Waiting there to enthrall us into a watery grave.

We floated swiftly along on a high-flowing tide,

Until we struck an elm treee, down by the river side, We fell into a panic, and puzzled in the brain,

We sprang up that elm tree like monkeys in a train. We stood amid the water, with waves on either hand, Waiting for a boat to come and take us to the land.

And when we all got landed upon the beech, We ran about a quarter, our journey for to reach.

As we stood upon the bank, the hind raft of our band Came swiftly floating by us, and said they could not land.

Two of our own company, with manhood brave and strong, Stepped on board an old canoe and followed them along.

And with night's sable mantle, there came a chilling breeze, That roared in the moutains and whistled through the trees.

That drove us to take shelter, and for our ills amend; We found a good lodging place with one-a Murphy friend.

We rested there contented, until the day did dawn,

The world it seemed alighted on a bright summer morn. Then starting on our journey-our comrades to seek;

We found them in quarters-just above Rollin's creek. That night we sought a cabin, to wait the dawn of day,

And while we slept and slumbered the tide it passed away.

Next morning bright and early, toward home we turned our plight, With ups and downs on the road, we reached our home that night.

So ends my first raft riding-its scenes how clearly I see; I ne'er will forget the time I hugged the old elm tree. -GEORGE HIGGINS.

# This is to Certify that the Knox County Fair Association, Suarantees

To Every Visitor who attends the meeting this year.

# Three Days full of Fun.

Beginning Wednesday, August 31, and continuing for Three days. J. F. STANFILL, Secretary, WM. TYE. Pres.

# DEMOCRATIC

### Convention Met at Court House Saturday Afternoon.

The Democrats of Knox county met in mass convention last Satur- election. day afternoon to select delegates to attend the Congressional District convention which meets in Somer set on August 25th to name a candidate for Congress, W. R. Ballenger was chosen permanent Chairman and Chas. Davis secretary.

The committee on resolution reported the tollowing:

We the Democrats of Knox county in Mass Convention assembled rerolve:

1st.—That we approve the time and place of the calling of the County and District Conventions.

2nd .- We reassert our fealty to the principles of Democracy both state and National, and heartily indorse the platform made and the ticket named by the Domocratic Notional Convention at St. Louis, and pledge to them our unindividuals support at the polls this fall.

3.-We recomend that this Contion, to be held at Somerset August 25, 1904, uninstructed the following named Delegates requiring them to vote as a unit on all questions coming before that convention. W. R. Ballenger, Charles Davis, J. R. Tuggle, J. F. Hawn, John Wagers, S. B. ford, J. F. Stanfill, N. W. Plank, per, the undertaker.

Joseph Owens, Minor Bryant, Robt. Hays, Elvin Prichard, J. M. Gilbert, I. M. Hays, and all other Democrats of Knox County.

4.—We pledge to the nominee of the Somerset convention our support and that we will use all honorable means in our power to secure his

> J. F. STANFILL, W. W. TYE, J. R. HAYS, G. M. FAULKNER, MINOR BRYANT.

After the adoption of the resolutions the convention adjorned sine

# DEATHS.

Swan Pond, near town, last Mon- let of fifty girls. day evening after an illness of several twenty-four years. Deceased leaves tacle are new this season. wife and one child to mourn their loss. Funeral services were conducted at his late residence on Wednesday, atter which the remains were inter-Hopper, of this city, was director of

vention send to the District Conven- afternoon of cholera infantum. Funeral services were held by Dr. G. N. which the remains were interred in Smith. Lexington, Ky. the Barbourville cemetery. A. W. Hopper had charge of the funeral.

The fourteen-months-old babe of Will Anderson died at his home near ishman, J. D. Black, John Hart, W. the fair grounds on last Friday. Bur-Woodson, D. B. Faulkner, F. F. ial at the family graveyard Satur-Rowling, W. H. Campbell, L. W. day afternoon. The burial was un-Farmer, G. H. Albright, J. N. Brat- der the management of A. W. Hop- the lines which I will close at W. B. Engle, James Hollifield, Robt. has stored dressed lumber for

## A COMMERCIAL CLUB

#### Should Be Organized Here Without Further Delay.

We have already pointed out prospects of an early organization of that kind in our town.

know that what we want and deposited. need more than anyting else is manufacturing establishments to poll be opened at the regular voting locate here that will furnish la- place, be held by the Sheriff of this bor for the unemployed, and county in the said Magisterial diswork up the raw material that trict No. 4, Gray's voting precinct, abounds here instead of having No. 11, Knox county, Kentucky, on to ship our timber away to have Friday, September 30, 1904, for the it converted into furniture, im- purpose of taking the sense of the plements and machinery, it could legal voters of said precinct, who and should be worked up at are qualified to vote at an election home and let the profits go to for county officers upon the propoour home people. Besides, we sition-whether or not spirituous, have vast stores of undeveloped vinous and malt liquors shall be coal fields that need businesss sold, bartered and loaned thereinmen behind them to have them the Sheriff will advertise the time opened and their rich deposits and place for holding said election dug out and put upon the mar- as required by law.

Our oil industry is yet in its infancy, and with the proper Tothe Hon. J. S. Miller, Judge of the management, this could be made the greatest oil producing field in the United States, and hesides these there are vast stores of other useful and valuable minerals stored away around us here waiting for development. Now, the best way to do this is to start in by organizing a good, active Commmercial Club with young, active men to manage it and look after its interests, and we predict that within the next six months everyone will see the fruits of its work. Let's start it

# **JOHN ROBINSON'S**

#### Tented amusement Enterprise Will Exhibit at Barbourville tomorrow

For nearly 80 years the John Robof being the very best of tented history repeats itself. All the champ- question of whether or not spirit- the Masonic and Odd Fellows soion riders, both male female, the uous, vinous or malt liquors shall cieties to erect in our town in highest salaried aerialists, gymnasts be sold, bartered or loaned in the the near future, a handsome and acrobats, the funniest clowns, said voting precinct above named, building containing lodge rooms, forming elephants and hundreds of other officers of the county, includ- lodges, and to be known as Fraspectacular production of King Solo- the said voting precinct, and to hold favor this plan that it will be Green Dothege died at his home on its one hundred principals and a bal-

All the scenery, costumes and efmonths of consumption, aged about fects of this grand, imposing spec-

# A Successful Business Educator.

Prof. Smith is President of the famous Commercial College of Kenren in the family graveyard. A. W. tucky University, Lexington, Ky., and refers to thousands of successful graduates. His graduates receive the diploma from Kentucky Univers-The eight-months-old babe of W. ity. Hundreds of young men and F. Price died in this city last Sunday women attend it annually. His graduates are successful in securing positions. If you wish a course in Jolly on Monday afternoon, after phy, address for circulars, Wilbur R.

> Just received a full line of fall and winter shoes from the celebrated Friedman Shoe Company, which I will sell at rockbottom prices. Every pair war-ranted to give satisfaction. My stock consists of a general line of merchandise and bargains in all

# NOTICE OF ELECTION

# Petition Judgment.

A written petition having been, on in previous articles on the ques- the 25th day of July, 1904, filed tion of a Commercial Club the wherein it is petitioned and asked many reasons why a club should that an election be ordered and held be organized here, and we are in Magisterial district No. 4, Gray's glad to note that some of the voting precinct No.11, in this, Knox more wide-awake citizens are county, Kentucky, upon the questaking up the proposition and tion whether or not spirituous, vinhave begun to discuss it among ous and malt liquours should be sold, themselves, and we now have bartered or loaned therein, which petition was signed by 25 per cent. of the legal voters in said precinct Every interest of our city can on the basis of the votes cast at the be better promoted through a regular election last held in said pre-Commercial Club than through cinct, and the money to pay the exany other means, and we all penses of said election having been

It is now therefore ordered that a

The petition is in the following words and figures, to-wit:

Knox County Court:

The undersigned petitioners would respectfully state that they are each citizens, residents of voting precinct No. 11, known as Gray's precinst, in Knox county, Kentucky, and that at the last general election held in said precinct, there were cast 420 votes and no more. They say that the number of petitioners' names signed hereto is greater than 25 per centum of all the legal votes cast at the said last general election held in ing to law, as required by the petithe said voting precinct; that no tion herewith published, in pursuance election upon the question as to of the judgment of the Knox County whether there shall or should not be Court. sold intoxicating liquors in the precinct, has been held within three day of August, 1904. years last past. They say it is their desire, and do now, petition this Honorable Court to make an order and cause same to be entered upon inson Show has had the reputation the Order Books of this Court calling and directing to be held an electhe largest and finest collection of in Knox county, and they ask that reception rooms and parlors, to other features. One distinguishing ing the election officers, to open a feature of the show is the great poll at the regular voting place in mon and the Queen of Sheba, with an election in the regular way for said purpose. The undersigned petitioners hereby tender to the Court a deposit of sufficient money to pay for the printing and posting of no tices or advertising required by law, and also the fees of the Clerk for

making the entry in the Order Book. Wherefore your petitioners pray that an order be entered on the Order Book of this Court directing that an election upon the proposition of whether there shall be sold spirit- tucky. uous, vinous or malt liquors in said voting precinct, and also direct the Sheriff and other county officers, including the election officers of the precinct to open a poll at the regular voting place in the said precinct, and conduct an election for said purpose in the regular way.

Upon each of these matters they

pray the judgment of the Court. W. H. Campbell, J. H. Helton, Wm. A. Keck, Sampson Harris, John provement when completed. L. H. JARVIS. Johnson, John Sullivan, A. G. Braf- finishing work.

ford, John Phipps, J. T. Gaines, H. C. Grace, Henry Hoskins, James Garrison, J. M. Sulfridge, D. H. Wilson. John M. Martion, M. A. Jackson, Alfred Keck, William Sullivan, J. T. Baker, Sam H. Baker, J. H. Garling, Josh Green, John Black, Lige White, G. H. Dizney, P. Hammons, J. R. Spiggings, J. M. Faris, J. K. Eve, Isaac Shoup, William Humfleet, William J. Baker, S. M. Collins, W. R. Trosper, Robert Hicks, J. S. Do-W. M. Israel, Geo. Israel, G B. Saylor, Wm. Queen, Wm. Christian. J. J. Hodge, S. M. Walker, L. W. Cox, D. C. Cox, G. S. Cox, W. H. Trosper, D. Kinder, J. W. Parker, John Nelson, Steve Johnson, G. C. Helton, G. M. Farris, W. H. Humfleet, A. J. Wilburn, John Williams, George Barton, Henry Daveys, John Daveys, Dock Sparks, S. W. Ohler, L. S. Hardin, J. A. Barton, George W. Miller, C. E. Redfield, Dan Sprinkles, James C. Barton, Harvey Reynolds, G. B. Surgener, M. C. Adkins, Wm. Adkins, D. F. Martin, Radford Martin, Bill Martin, Tom Adkins, James Helton, V. G. Martin, V. Martin, Sam Elam, Hugh Martin, James Donaldson, Wess Saylor, Fred Daniels. Scott Daniels, Lloyd Dizney, Berley Calosal, W. H. Trosper, Foster Daniels, Bob Ridener, Bob Small-

A Copy Attest: JOHN PARKER,

Be it therefore known of all men county, will cause a poll to be opened at Gray voting precinct No. 11, in Knox county, on the 30th day of September, 1904, between the hours of 6 o'clock a. m., and 4 o'clock p. m., to take the sense of the legal voters of said precinct upon the question as to whether or not spirituous, vinous and malt liquors shall be sold, bartered or loaned accord-

Given under my hand this, 22nd

W. W. BYRLEY, Sheriff of Knox County.

# Fraternity Hall.

There is a movement just now tion in said voting precinct upon the on foot by many members of both wild beasts, the finest herd of per- said order direct the Sheriff and be the joint property of the two

ternity Hall. It is the opinion of those who greatly to the advantage of each order, because by uniting their efforts they can secure a better building, with more conveniences and upon a more extensive plan. The two lodges are amply ableto erect and maintain a handsome hall, and if seme agreement can be reached between the two lodges, the result will be one of the most splendid buildings in Southeastern Ken-

# Improvements.

Geo. W. Tye is having a new plank floor put in the driveway of his stable, which is a great improvement to this popular sta-

The First National Bank is putting down a new concrete sidewalk on the west side of the bank, which will be a great im-

J. F. Hawn has added a new room to his office, in which he

# SUICIDE.

#### George R. Barton, Of Gray's, Takes His Own Life.

The little city of Gray was thrown into a state of excitement last Monday afternoon, when it was learned that George R. Bar-I. C. Trosper, W. T. Robertson, D. I. ton, one of her citizens, had Campbell, Frank Eve, James Wal- committed suicide by shooting ters, A. B. Helton, Thomas Turner, himself through the heart with a 45-caliber revolver.

Bad health and despondency zier, W. F. Campbell, Frank Israel, is supposed to have been the cause of the rash act.

Deceased was about fifty-two years old, and leaves a family.

#### Oil Notes.

The oil industry in Knox county is still looking very promising. as there hasn't been any activity in the field for some time, it is getting no worse.

The old companies are still drilling new wells, and are getting good results; and the wells where properly handled, hold up at a good average production. It is the opinion of practicable oil men who have recently struck the field, that Knox county will be one of the leading counties in the State in the oil industry in the next few years.

New companies are taking up leases in different sections of the county, with the intention of giving it a thorough test; as it is an evident fact that the field has been merely touched. that I, W. W. Byrley, Sheriff of Knox We hope they will be successful and bring Knox county to the

> The Great Northern Oil Co. has made arrangements to do considerabls work on the Green Epperson farm. The Black drilling Co. is now putting down their No. 7 well on this lease.

> The Richland Oil Co. has purchased a new lease, and are now drilling a well on same

Ira D. Nash, contractor, is now drilling a well for the Standard Development Co. on the Jones-Black farm, which has been an elegant lease for the past two years, and is still producing a nice flow of oil.

# BOARDING.

The World's Fair, St. Louis. can make arrangements for same by addressing Mrs. G. W. BAILEY, 3229, Pine St Rates: \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day.

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